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VEHICLE EXTERIOR MIRROR SYSTEM WITH

TURN SIGNAL LIGHT ASSEMBLY

Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Six:

TERMINAL DISCLAIMER TO OBVIATE A DOUBLE PATENTING REJECTION [37 C.F.R. 1.321(b)]

The undersigned Disclaimant, Niall R. Lynam, is Senior Vice President and Chief Technical Officer of the Assignee and represents that he is empowered to act on behalf of the Assignee identified below.

The Assignee of record, Donnelly Corporation, 414 East Fortieth Street, Holland, Michigan 49423, is the Assignee and owner of the entire right, title and interest in and to the above-identified application and invention. This application is a continuation of prior application Serial No. 09/596,015, filed on June 16, 2000, now U.S. Pat. No. 6,296,379, which is a continuation of Serial No. 09/259,815, filed on February 26, 1999, now U.S. Pat. No. 6,086,229, which is a continuation of Serial No. 08/933,375, filed on September 19, 1997, now U.S. Pat. No. 5,879,074, which is a continuation of application Serial No. 08/607,284, filed on February 26, 1996, now U.S. Pat. No. 5,669,704, which is a continuation of application Serial No. 08/426,591, filed on April 21, 1995, now U.S. Pat. No. 5,497,306, which is a continuation-in-part of application Serial No. 08/333,412, filed on November 2, 1994, now U.S. Pat. No. 5,497,305, which is a continuation of application Serial No. 08/011,947, filed on February 1, 1993, now U.S. Pat. No. 5,371,659. The Assignment to Petitioner was recorded on April 21, 1995, at Reel 7474, Frame 0704. A copy of the Assignment is attached.

The Disclaimant states that the evidentiary document, namely the Assignment, has been reviewed, and Disclaimant hereby certifies that, to the best of his knowledge and belief, title is in the Assignee seeking to take the below action.

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Assignee, Donnelly Corporation, hereby disclaims, except as provided below, the terminal part of any patent granted on the above-identified application, which would extend beyond the expiration of the full statutory term, as presently shortened by any terminal disclaimer, of U.S. Pat. No. 6,296,379, which issued on October 2, 2001; U.S. Pat. No. 6,299,333, which issued on October 9, 2001; U.S. Pat. No. 6,176,602, which issued on January 23, 2001; U.S. Pat. No. 5,879,074, which issued on March 9, 1999; U.S. Pat. No. 6,086,229, which issued on July 11, 2000; U.S. Pat. No. 6,074,077, which issued on June 13, 2000; U.S. Pat. No. 5,497,306, which issued on March 5, 1996; and U.S. Pat. No. 5,669,705, which issued on September 23, 1997, and hereby agrees that any patent so granted on the above-identified application shall be enforceable only for and during such period that the legal title to said patent shall be the same as the legal title to U.S. Pat. No. 6,296,379, which issued on October 2, 2001; U.S. Pat. No. 6,299,333, which issued on October 9, 2001; U.S. Pat. No. 6,176,602, which issued on January 23, 2001; U.S. Pat. No. 5,879,074, which issued on March 9, 1999; U.S. Pat. No. 6,086,229, which issued on July 11, 2000; U.S. Pat. No. 6,074,077, which issued on June 13, 2000; U.S. Pat. No. 5,497,306, which issued on March 5, 1996; and U.S. Pat. No. 5,669,705, which issued on September 23, 1997, this agreement to run with any patent on the above-identified application and to be binding upon the grantor, its successors or assignees.

Petitioner does not disclaim any part of any patent granted on the aboveidentified application prior to the expiration date of the full statutory term of U.S. Pat. No. 6,296,379, which issued on October 2, 2001; U.S. Pat. No. 6,299,333, which issued on October 9, 2001; U.S. Pat. No. 6,176,602, which issued on January 23, 2001; U.S. Pat. No. 5,879,074, which issued on March 9, 1999; U.S. Pat. No. 6,086,229, which issued on July 11, 2000; U.S. Pat. No. 6,074,077, which issued on June 13, 2000; U.S. Pat. No. 5,497,306, which issued on March 5, 1996; and U.S. Pat. No. 5,669,705, which issued on September 23, 1997, in the event that it later: 1) expires for failure to pay a maintenance fee; 2) is held unenforceable or found invalid by a court of competent jurisdiction; 3) is statutorily disclaimed in whole or is found terminally dislaimed under 37 C.F.R. 1.321(a); 4) has all claims canceled by a re-examination certificate; 5) is reissued; or 6) is otherwise terminated

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prior to expiration of its statutory term as presently shortened by any terminal disclaimer, except for the separation of legal title stated above.

I hereby declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further, that the statements are made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment or both, as set under Section 1001, Title 18, of the United States Code, and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issuing thereon.

DONNELLY CORPORATION

Date: Jan 24 ,2003.

By:

Dr. Niall R. Lynam
Senior Vice President and
Chief Technical Officer